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TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: SOUTH AFRICA POSITIONS

1. HERE IS A NOTE HANDED ME BY AMBASSADOR BOTHA, WHICH SETS FORTH THE TEXT OF THE TWO LETTERS HE IS PREPARED TO SEND YOU FORTHWITH ON NAMIBIA.

2. BEGIN QUOTE: DRAFT OF FIRST LETTER. I AM AUTHORISED TO CONFIRM THE AGREEMENT REACHED BY YOU AND THE PRIME MINISTER IN PRETORIA ON THE FOLLOWING SEVEN POINTS (1).....(7).

3. DRAFT OF SECOND LETTER. WITH REFERENCE TO MY LETTER OF TODAY'S DATE ABOUT THE SEVEN POINTS RELATING TO THE SOUTH WEST AFRICA ISSUE, I AM INSTRUCTED TO REITERATE THAT WHILE THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT (THE SOUTH AFRICAN PRIME MINISTER) WILL INFLUENCE THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE IN THIS DIRECTION, IT IS FOR THE CONFERENCE

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ITSELF TO MAKE ITS OWN DECISIONS ON THESE AND OTHER MATTERS.

4. I AM ALSO INSTRUCTED TO CONFIRM THE UNDERSTANDING REACHED IN THE COURSE OF THE PRETORIA DISCUSSIONS, NAMELY - (A) IF THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE MOVES TO GENEVA, THE COST INVOLVED WILL NOT BE FOR THE SOUTH

AFRICAN GOVERNMENT'S OR THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE'S ACCOUNT. (B) IF THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE DECIDES TO EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH SWAPO, IT WILL BE SUBJECT TO - (I) SWAPO STATING PUBLICLY (ALTERNATIVELY, GIVING AN UNDERTAKING) THAT IT IS WILLING TO RESOLVE ALL PROBLEMS IN A PEACEFUL MANNER AND TO REJECT VIOLENCE AND BLOODSHED; (II) SWAPO CEASING ALL TERRORIST ACTIVITIES.

5. FOLLOWING DISCUSSIONS AFTER YOUR DEPARTURE FROM PRETORIA WITH CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE, WE DO NOT VISUALISE INSURMOUNTABLE PROBLEMS IF THE ABOVE CONDITIONS (A) AND (B) ARE FULFILLED.

6. I AM COMMUNICATING WITH YOU SEPARATELY ABOUT THE POINT YOU RAISED IN REGARD TO THE RELEASE OF CERTAIN PRISONERS. END QUOTE.

7. ADVISE ME IF THESE TEXTS ARE SATISFACTORY. ROBINSON

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